

House Resolution No.

Whereas, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives always welcome the opportunity to recognize young men who have excelled during their association with the Boy Scouts of America program with its emphasis on physical, mental, and spiritual growth; self-reliance; personal values; service to others; and an appreciation and understanding of the wonderful natural world; and

Whereas, Brett Russell of Troop 4166 has successfully completed all of the stringent requirements for Scouting's highest advancement award, the rank of Eagle Scout, which will be bestowed upon him during an Eagle Court of Honor on October 14, 2007, at First Baptist Church of Poplar Bluff, Missouri; and

Whereas, attainment of the Eagle Scout rank is dependent upon the sequential completion of each of the Boy Scout steps of Tenderfoot, Second Class, First Class, Star, and Life and expected troop service, a requirement admirably fulfilled by Brett through the billets of Senior Patrol Leader and Scribe; and

Whereas, diligent labors by Brett earned him induction into the Order of the Arrow Brotherhood, a Fifty Miler award, selection as Trek Chaplain at Philmont Scout Ranch, and twenty-seven merit badges that are arrayed on his uniform sash as a visual illustration of the diverse skills and knowledge which he has acquired as a Boy Scout; and

Whereas, in keeping with Scouting practice, Brett applied the knowledge that he learned at troop meetings in many camping, hiking, and service activities, including a rigorous, eighty-nine mile journey through Philmont Scout Ranch, summer camps at Camp Lewallen, deep sea fishing at Destin, Florida, white water rafting on the Chattooga River, a sleep-over aboard the USS Alabama, and a Civil War reenactment at Shiloh; and

Whereas, Brett completed an Eagle Project that consisted of painting approximately fifty fire hydrants, about half of which were new or replacement hydrants that had never been painted, to serve as a capstone to his Scouting career and to stand as a constant reminder of his dedication to serving others, an admirable trait that justifies the esteemed role which Scouting plays in today's society:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, join unanimously to applaud the outstanding achievements realized by Brett Russell during his eleven-year-long sojourn with Scouting and to congratulate him for having the drive and energy necessary to attain the rank of Eagle; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for new Eagle Scout Brett Russell, son of John and Judy Russell of Poplar Bluff, Missouri.

Offered by _____
Representative Gayle Kingery
District No. 154

I, Rod Jetton, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-fourth General Assembly, First Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. ____, adopted ____, 2007.

Rod Jetton, Speaker